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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a purified synthetic polypeptide

comprising consisting of the amino acid sequence of: PyroGlu-LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID

NO: 1).

5. (Currently Amended) An anti-tumor polypeptide, comprising an apoptosis-inducing

concentration of a polypeptide, wherein said polypeptide comprising consisting of the amino acid

sequence of: PyroGlu-LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID NO: 1), wherein said polypeptide

induces apoptosis of a tumor cell.

6. (Currently Amended) The polypeptide of claim 5, wherein said anti-tumor polypeptide is

activated by contacting said polypeptide with a detergent sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS).

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method of killing a tumor cell, comprising contacting said tumor

cell with a polypeptide comprising consisting of the amino acid sequence of: PyroGlu-

LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID NO: 1) for a time and under conditions effective to promote

killing by apoptosis in of said tumor cell.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, wherein said tumor is a breast tumor.

10. - 14. (Cancelled)

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15. (Currently Amended) A method of activating an anti-tumor polypeptide, comprising contacting said polypeptide with sodium dodecyl sulfate, wherein an anti-tumor activity of said polypeptide is activated after said contacting step, wherein said polypeptide emprising consists of the amino acid sequence of: PyroGlu-LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID NO: 1), and wherein the activated anti-tumor polypeptide promotes apoptosis in of a tumor cell.

16. (Cancelled)

- 17. (Currently Amended) A-composition comprising an An SDS-activated anti-tumor polypeptide, said composition comprising an apoptosis inducing concentration of said polypeptide, wherein said polypeptide consists essentially consisting of the amino acid sequence of: PyroGlu-LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID NO: 1).
- 18. (Currently Amended) A method of killing a tumor cell, comprising contacting said tumor cell with an SDS-activated polypeptide for a time and under conditions effective to promote killing by apoptosis of said tumor cell, said polypeptide consisting essentially of the amino acid of: PyroGlu-LKCYTCKEPMTSAAC (SEQ ID NO: 1).